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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING UNDER 37 CFR § 41.47

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Dear Commissioner:

An Oral Hearing in the appeal of this patent application is requested.

Fees

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Respectfully submitted,

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